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1. North Vietnam

The top Communist in South Vietnam is a four-star North Vietnamese general, Nguyen Chi Thanh. Thanh, a member of the North Vietnamese politburo, is an outspoken advocate of the hard line with a reputation for brutality. He has both powerful enemies and powerful friends in Hanoi.

2. Communist China

3. South Vietnam

Tri Quang, now somewhat fattened up after the end of his "hunger strike," is moving to eliminate his relatively moderate antagonist, Tam Chau, from the chairmanship of the Buddhist Institute. A Buddhist congress to prepare for this is to be held within the next four weeks. Tam Chau's friends still hope he can stay on top, but feel he will have to display some uncharacteristic organizing skill to do so.

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